

NO STOCK PLAGUE IN ALEXANDRIA COUNTY

Fairfax County Also Free of Hoof and Mouth Disease Reports Declare.

ALEXANDRIA, Nov. 28.—No cases of "hoof and mouth" disease exist among the cattle of Alexandria and Fairfax counties, according to reports to Health Officer Dr. E. A. Gorman. An inspector of the dairies and cattle herds of the two counties has just been completed by Dr. J. J. Garvey, deputy health officer, and officials of the Department of Agriculture.

Dr. Brathwaite, of the pure food department of the Virginia board of health, is in Alexandria today inspecting food supplies at the request of Dr. Gorman.

In police court today Frank Wilkins was sentenced to sixty days in jail for stealing sixty-eight pounds of lead pipe from the Alexandria millwright and chemical company. As Wilkins is on parole from the State penitentiary, he will be sent back to that institution.

The first dance of the season of the Alexandria German Club was held last night in the Elks' Auditorium, led by James S. Douglas, Jr.

In the corporation court today a decree was entered in the suit of the "Over Supply Company" against the Mt. Vernon Stables, Incorporated, instructing the receiver of the latter, Frederick P. Russell, to collect the debts owing the company.

Representative Robert Young Thomas, Jr. of Kentucky, will be the principal speaker at the memorial services of Alexandria Lodge of Elks tomorrow evening. Alderman Jacob Brill of this city, will deliver a short address. A musical program has been arranged. The memorial service will be conducted by George T. Caton, exalted ruler, and the officers of the lodge.

Friendship Council No. 3, Daughters of Liberty, will attend Thanksgiving services tomorrow night at the Second Baptist Church. The council is planning a class initiation for December 11, at which time the State councillor, J. D. Reams, of Richmond, is expected to be present.

The body of George H. Coryell, who died in Washington Thursday, will be brought to this city tomorrow afternoon and interred in St. Paul's cemetery.

E. B. Kay, a former resident of this city, died at the Sibley Hospital in Washington, yesterday. He was a member of Alexandria Lodge of Elks.

HYATTSVILLE.
HYATTSVILLE, Md., Nov. 28.—The mayor and common council have taken action on record as being opposed to the proposed advance commutation of the Washington branch of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

It is understood that the committee from the council will be appointed to act with committees from other towns in the vicinity in opposition to the case before the two commissions.

The State roads commission is investigating a practice of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad in keeping crossing gates closed between midnight and the early hours of the morning. The attention of the commission was brought to this condition of affairs by a motorist who, when he reached the Washington-Baltimore boulevard crossing over the railroad at this town was delayed some time in finding the watchman and having the crossing gates raised.

The basketball team of the Hyattsville High School was defeated last night by the Hyattsville Juniors by 21 to 6. The feature of the game was the play of Moses Levin, of the Juniors.

The mayor and common council is taking active steps to install a municipal electric lighting plant when the present contract with the Potomac Electric Power company expires. The committee appointed by the council is investigating both the financial and mechanical ends of the proposition, and a meeting will be held the first of the week to consider certain definite information. Several years ago the mayor and common council considered the proposition of a municipal plant. The committee is composed of Councilman Edward Devlin, chairman; Mayor Oswald A. Greager, Councilman John G. Holden, and George M. McFarland, who will look after the financial end of the proposition; Joseph T. Fritts, and J. P. Hawkins, engineers; Edward A. Fuller, H. Hodges Carr, representing the citizens; V. A. Shelby, attorneys; and E. R. Burn, clerk.

An enjoyable evening was spent by the Sunday school teachers and pupils of the First Baptist Church last night when they held their Thanksgiving social. Previous to the general social, each class held an individual social.

ANACOSTIA.
The Randle Highlands Citizens' Association is to meet Monday night in the Baptist Church, at which time the recently elected officers will be installed.

Minerva Trice, No. 14, Improved Order of Red Men, met last evening and was addressed by Henry W. Tippet, past great sachem of the order.

The Rev. W. O. Roome, pastor of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, concluded his series of lectures last night. He spoke on "The Life of Christ."

URGES PROHIBITION



MALCOLM RICE PATTERSON, former governor of Tennessee, who will be one of the leaders in the prohibition campaign to be waged here next week.

ments, a large quantity of harness, and other things were burned, entailing a loss of about \$1,000, partly covered by insurance. Arthur Davis, colored, has been arrested on suspicion.

The Rev. Samuel R. White officiated at the marriage of Leo J. Winkley and Miss Helen Adams, both of Pomfret, Md., and Henry W. Mills and Miss Pearl A. Stanley both of Hanover county, Va.

Licenses to marry have been issued here to Robert B. Rhoderick, of Chevy Chase, this county, and Miss Myrtle B. Garst, of Frederick, and Charles Leadham and Mrs. Belle O'Neal, both of Washington.

William Shealey, of Baltimore, pleaded guilty in the circuit court yesterday to a charge of attempted larceny, and was sentenced by Judge Peter to one year in the House of Correction.

William Shue Wen, a Chinese, and Miss Nellie Coleman Rathell, an American, both of Baltimore, were married yesterday by the Rev. Samuel R. White. The age of the bridegroom was given as twenty-eight and that of the bride as eighteen. They left for Washington immediately after the ceremony.

James Johnson, a well-known resident of Coleville, died a few days ago, aged sixty-eight years. He was a life-long resident of this county. Surviving him are his wife and two daughters. The funeral took place from the Methodist Church at Coleville burial being in the cemetery near Burtonsville.

Funeral services for Dr. Charles W. Shreve took place yesterday from St. Mary's Catholic Church, at Barnesville, Md. The Rev. Father Fawcett officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lloyd Fawcett have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Blanche Fawcett, and Henry L. Benson, of Griffon, the ceremony to take place about the first of January. The bride-elect is principal of the public school at Burtonsville.

Funerals
Rear Admiral Wells Laffin Field.
The funeral of Rear Admiral Wells Laffin, U. S. N., retired, who died yesterday at his home, 1281 I street, northwest, will be held next Monday morning at 10 o'clock from the Church of the Covenant. Interment will be made in Arlington National Cemetery with military honors.

George H. Coryell.
Funeral services for George H. Coryell will be held at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow at the home of Miss M. E. Newton, 1309 Seventeenth street northwest, under the direction of the Rev. Dr. Talbot, of St. Paul's Church. Mr. Coryell was a mining engineer and lived in Baltimore and Atlantic City before coming to Washington, a few months ago.

Col. Louis P. Siebert.
The body of Col. Louis P. Siebert, who died last Thursday, was buried in Arlington National Cemetery this morning, after funeral services at his late residence, 1228 Eighteenth street northwest. The ceremonies were under the direction of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion.

Walter H. Gebicke.
The funeral of Walter H. Gebicke, who died at 926 H street northwest yesterday night, was held this morning from Holy Name Church. Interment was at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary V. W. Walker.
The body of Mrs. Mary V. W. Walker, who was buried in Arlington National Cemetery today beside that of her husband, the funeral was held from her late residence, 21 Perry street, Chevy Chase, Md.

Team Backs Off Wharf, One Horse Is Drowned
A pair of horses attached to a coal wagon of William H. Marlow, 511 R street northwest, backed off a wharf at the foot of Tenth street southwest last evening, one of the horses was drowned, and the other was rescued by police of the harbor precinct. The colored driver escaped by jumping just as the wagon went off the wharf.

ROCKVILLE.
The stable and granary on the farm of Thompson Williams, near Cedar Grove, were destroyed by fire yesterday. Ten tons of hay, seventy-five barrels of corn, numerous agricultural imple-

'Mail Gifts Early,' Postoffice Warns

Delay in Dispatch of Christmas Presents Likely to Bring Disappointment, Says Praeger in Bulletin Giving Information to Public.

"Shop Early—Mail Early, and mark your gifts 'Don't Open Until Christmas.'"

This is the sum and substance of the Christmas mailing advice to be spread broadcast to the public of Washington by Postmaster Otto Praeger in a circular which is being distributed to the public today. The proper methods of dispatch for parcel post packages, post cards, and all other mail matter are given, with warnings against methods that will bring disappointment.

EXTRAORDINARY PREPARATIONS MADE.
Extraordinary preparations have been made by the Washington office and by the Postoffice Department for the handling of the holiday mails. The success of these measures, it is pointed out, depends upon intelligent co-operation of the public.

In a word of introduction, Postmaster Praeger says: "The advent of the holiday season makes it incumbent upon the Postmaster to invite the attention of patrons of the Washington office to the necessity of properly packing parcels to be sent in the mails; the advantages to be derived from the early mailing thereof, and to other important details of the service."

"It is of the utmost importance that parcels be mailed early. Last year the heavy movement of the mails began as early as December 15.

Schedule for Mailing.
"If you want your gifts to reach their destination on Christmas without fail, do not take a chance on the weather or transportation congestion, but mail them, at the very latest, as follows:

"December 23, for District, Maryland and nearby Virginia points.
"December 22, for Pennsylvania, Delaware, West Virginia, Southern Virginia, and North Carolina.
"December 21, for all other States east of the Mississippi river.
"December 19, for all States west of the Mississippi river and east of the Rocky Mountains.
"December 17, for the Pacific coast.

"If possible, mail earlier than on these dates, and write on the outside of the wrapper of your gift: 'Do not open until Christmas.'"

"Parcels may be mailed at any of the classified or contract stations (the latter located principally in drug stores throughout the city). Parcels weighing four ounces and under may be mailed in street letter boxes.

Information by Phone.
"Complete information concerning the preparation of packages for mailing, and the rates, classification, and other details, may be obtained by telephone from the main office, or any of its stations. Packages must not exceed seventy-two inches in length and girth combined."

"Parcels must be prepared for mailing so that the contents may be easily examined, and should be presented at the postoffice or station for examination."

"It is of the utmost importance that all packages be securely packed and wrapped, and fully, and legibly addressed."

"Christmas cakes, plum pudding, raisin bread, and similar articles, should be wrapped in oil paper and inclosed in a corrugated pasteboard container, or in a wooden or tin box. The package should be marked 'Fragile.'"

"Parcels containing meat or meat food products, including trips, sausage, etc., except when addressed for local delivery, must be mailed at the main office or one of the larger (classified) stations."

"Inscriptions such as 'Merry Christmas,' 'Happy New Year,' 'With Best Wishes,' and the like, may be included inside or placed on the covering of the parcel in such manner as not to interfere with the address."

"Patrons are cautioned against placing stamps or stickers other than postage stamps, on the address side of mail matter, as such matter is thereby rendered unmailable. In the use of Christmas stickers care should be taken not to seal parcels therewith."

Interference From War.
"Owing to the war conditions in Europe, there are no sailings at present for the transmission of parcel post matter for Austria and tributary points; Belgium, Germany and tributary points, or

GERMAN GROWTH OF 40 YEARS DESCRIBED
Dr. Usher Explains National Achievement—Pays Tribute to the Emperor.

MOTORISTS LOSING FRATERNAL FEELING

With Better Cars and Better Conditions, Bond of Sympathy Is Lost, Says Veteran.

Are motorists losing that fine fraternal feeling, that spirit de corps which pervaded their ranks in the earlier days of the automobile? Is the question veteran motorists are asking. Have they lost that brotherly regard for each other which distinguished them when their numbers were few and the hands of all other humans apparently were turned against them?

"In a measure," remarked one of the old-timers of one-cylinder days, "this seems to be the case." Continuing, this veteran remarked:

"In the old days, when the cars were in more or less of an experimental stage, and before the country was 'automobile broke,' all motorists were brothers. They flocked together for mutual sympathy and aid. Did one man's car break down? Soon came there a brother motorist with advice, spare parts and tools to help in the repair work. Did one fall afoul of backwoods legal traps, his fellow motorists were there to help him out of his predicament. They were united in their common courtesies of the road, whatever their shortcomings in regard to pedestrians and horse-drawn vehicles. Motorists were almost invariably polite to each other."

"Pedestrians" made them so. They made common cause against a large part of the world."

Another old motorist, one who owned a one-lunger soon after the curb by the side of the automobile, and has owned and driven cars ever since, was heard the

other day to comment unfavorably upon the modern generation of motorists.

Lack of Kindred Feeling.
"There is no kindred feeling felt between motorists today," he moaned. "With better cars and better conditions all around, we have lost that bond of sympathy that used to unite us. Time was when all were the best of friends on sight, ready to help each other in any way if necessary. Now we aren't even decently polite to each other, but shoulder each other off into the gutter, usurp the best part of the road, try to smother each other in dust clouds or rip tail-lights or mud-guards off each others' machines. We are strangers now."

"I for one would welcome the family machine and the Ishmaelish existence back again if it could be accomplished by that brotherly feeling between motorists that existed only a few years ago."

There seems to be some ground for this veteran's plaint. That fellow-feeling which springs up between those suffering the same adversities fails to develop between people when every thing is going smoothly, and when this feeling is absent people sometimes neglect those little courtesies and considerations which go so far toward smoothing the pathway.

Careless Drivers a Menace.
It seems that motorists now are giving each other more cause for complaint than they used to do. Although, of course, a great majority of drivers are skilled and considerate, there are enough careless, thoughtless or ignorant drivers to make things unpleasant both for their own ilk and for other road users. It used to be that all other kinds of road users had a blood feud with the motorists, and the "road hog" was some dirty fellow who refused to yield a motorist his legal share of the road. On the other hand, motorists accorded each other their full share of the driving space.

Now, apparently, it is the motorist who is playing road hog. Selfishness is the chief cause in many cases, but inexperience and inefficiency as a driver prevail in many more cases.

What motorist has not been crowded into the ditch or up over the curb by some self-centered person who wanted the whole road for either his selfish use

or because he didn't know enough or couldn't handle his machine well enough to keep to his own side of the road? Precious few these days.

"There are some—let us hope that they are either ignorant and will learn, or merely careless and will mend their ways—who are always willing to cause pedestrians, horse-drawn vehicle drivers or motorists a maximum of discomfort and danger," added the veteran driver. "And, of course, there always will be some. But let us hope that the offenders awaken to the enormity of their crimes and reform."

Shaft of Speedometer May Need Lubrication

One part of an automobile which requires lubrication, but which is often-times neglected, is the interior of the flexible speedometer driving shaft, to which an elusive squeak often can be traced. The best lubricant for the shaft is a light grade of grease or non-fluid oil.

Kisses in Van Buskirk Auto Silent, She Says

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Nov. 28.—"Silent kisses" in the Van Buskirk automobile were described in some wealth of detail in a deposition by Mrs. Freda Jersey read to Vice Chancellor Lewis, Jersey City.

Mrs. Jersey said she was on the back seat at the time with Mr. Van Buskirk, while Mrs. Van Buskirk was in front with Franklin, Jr. The trial was continued.

"Where the kisses took place?" she was asked.
"No, they were quite noiseless," answered Mrs. Jersey. "In fact, they were of the soft and silent variety. They could not be heard above the throbbing of the engine, and for this reason, probably, did not disturb Mr. Van Buskirk's peaceful slumbers."

Sidicars for War Use.
American manufacturers of motor-cars have been asked to submit prices on 1,000 motorized sidicars, which are said to be for use in the European war.

Newsboys Victims of Film Actress' Charm

There are just a few more than five hundred newsboys in Washington today who are firmly convinced that Marguerite Clark is the kind of a girl that every boy would be glad to have smile on him. These boys are the lads who sell The Times every day on the streets of this city, and they were the guests of Tom Moore last night at the Strand Theater, where they saw Marguerite Clark in "Wild Flower," one of the best of the Famous Players' most recent film plays.

When an actress does so well on the stage or the film that she can move a newsboy to come out boldly in her favor, she has accomplished a great deal, and Marguerite Clark did just that last night. The comments of the youngsters on the film as its story was unfolded would be an education to the sophisticated theater-goer. They were so pleased that they did not hesitate to cheer little Miss Clark when the film story was finished—and they cheered the Keystone comedy they had seen also with a good, hearty cheer of thanks to Manager Moore, Assistant Manager Winter, and all the other people who had made their evening at the Strand pleasant.

Two Lectures Will Be Given on War's Meaning

Two lectures on the European war and its significance as understood by a New Churchman will be delivered by the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, of New York, at the Church of the New Jerusalem, Sixteenth and Corcoran streets northwest.

The first lecture, entitled "What Shall Be Substituted for War?" will be made tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock, and the second, "The Year of Our Enemies," will be heard at the same time on the evening of December 6.

In his first talk, Dr. Smyth will consider Nietzsche on "The Will to Power," whereas the second lecture will concern "the law of Christian love as applied by the new doctrine of might," as urged by Treitschke, Bernhardi, and others.



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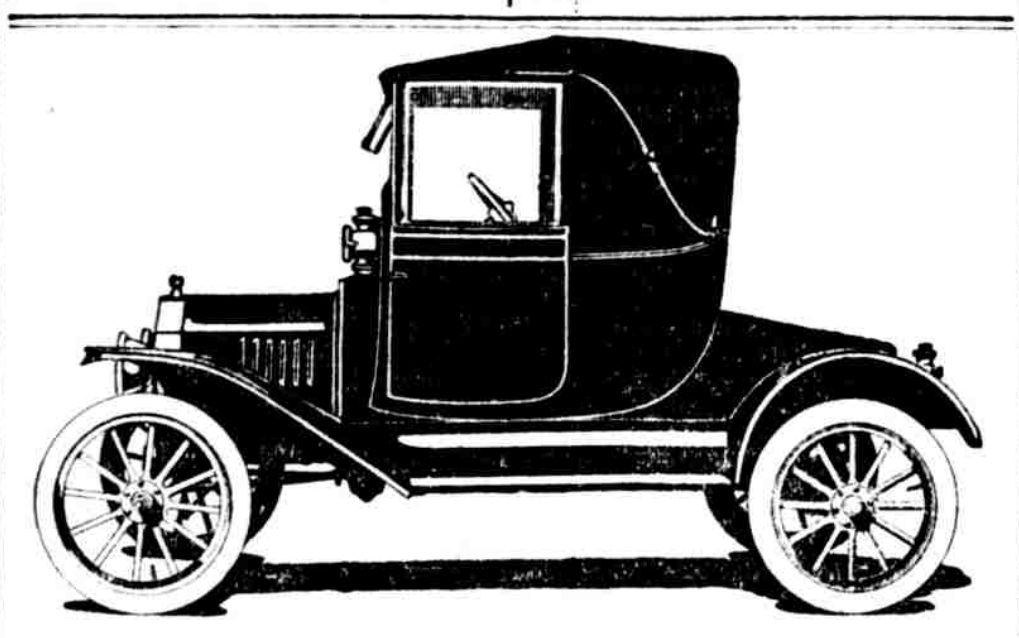
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